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COLD SPRING HARBOR, LONG ISLAND, N. Y.

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Dear Tracy:

A little late, I congratulate you for the election to the National Academy. It certainly did not come as a surprise, since I had already been wondering why you were not elected last year. Few people among the others elected deserve it as much as you do.

It is almost certain that I shall be back in September. The Carnegie Institution has not yet come around with any decision, and I feel pretty sure that if they decide to offer a job, they will offer it first to Delbruck, who almost certainly will accept it. On the other hand, some other offers I had were not attractive, and Cleland had been very nice to me in his letters, although economically the situation seems to be blocked for the coming year by the legislative appropriations. We shall have to make plans if you want to teach the microorganism course next fall. I am going to give the lectures of the new virus course, and expect to devote most of the time to it. I do not yet know anything about research project, and whom, if anybody, I shall be able to get. The amount of research to be done will depend on ~~xxxx~~ which type of collaborators I shall find.

How is everything with you? Any new important facts? Whom do you expect to have there next year? I imagine Metz may still be there.

Best regards to Ruth and the kids. Shall see you in Cold Spring next July.

Yours,

*Luria*

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